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## **Protein Kinases and Cancer**

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During the latter part of the twentieth century, it has continuously been recognized that protein kinases represent a large group of enzymes involved in the phosphorylation of proteins at various sites, thereby altering their functional activities. Because of the vast involvement of protein kinases in cell biological functions and their role in various disease states, it stands to reason that protein kinases have attracted much attention as possible targets for therapeutic intervention. There is a large body of ongoing investigations in this subject area as many different protein kinases are implicated in cancer development and survival. The involvement of protein kinases in cancer is of focal interest because they serve as existing and potential targets for cancer therapy and this is also a highly active area of research. The present Special Issue "Protein Kinases and Cancer" represents a compendium of manuscripts and review articles involving different protein kinases with respect to their biological function in various cancers and their potential as therapeutic targets.













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